



November 9, 2011

Helen Lakeru
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Dear Helen,

I am pleased you are continuing to pursue the launch of Many Lights intergenerational housing. As we both know, there continue to be an unacceptable number of children in foster care—especially older children disproportionately represented by the minority cultures of our community—that long for permanency and stability. Far too many of them will not have that opportunity and may otherwise age out of care without a family or a sense of commitment from a caring adult. Additionally, siblings in care need to stay together in their placement and our state continues to struggle to have enough homes to make that possible.

If your concept will help fill these voids in an affordable and sustainable way, I applaud your efforts and wish you every success. What we can't afford is to turn away from this need.

Sincerely,



John Morse